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### REVERTING TO THE GOLD STANDARD

U.S. Joins Small Gold Bloc.

### SEVEN NATIONS ON SOME FORM OF GOLD BASIS

#### SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL.

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894, Received February 2, 12.50 p.m.)

Washington, To-day. Observers have called attention to the fact that the new monetary system is the gold standard to the extent that the Government is ready to maintain the dollar at 55.6 cents and to pay international debts with gold.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau has issued instructions to the Government to purchase gold at U.S.\$35 an ounce, including "imported fine gold bars."

He explained that this meant a fineness of 999, or finer, such as is ordinarily used for the settlement of international balances.

The mints will also purchase other forms of imported gold, such as unrefined or other form of gold than stamped bars, also various kinds of domestic gold and excepting hoarded silver coins.

Observers have called attention to the fact that France, Holland, Poland, Belgium, Switzerland and the United States now have some form of a gold basis.

Italy is considered to be nearly on the gold standard owing to the close management of the lira around its theoretical gold point.

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### Heavy Shipments To U.S. Imminent.

#### GOLD PRICE ALLOWS A PROFIT

#### SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894, Received February 2, 9.54 a.m.)

London, To-day.

Britain has boosted gold to \$4.07, despite which heavy shipments to the United States are imminent, since the difference allows for a good profit.

France, however, is determined to maintain a free gold standard.

The United States is ready to commence exchange operations. Whether such action has already been taken, is a secret known to only a few.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

#### MORE GOVERNMENT FINANCING

#### SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894, Received February 2, 1.06 p.m.)

New York, To-day.

Some bankers believe that the lowering of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's rediscount rate is preparatory to more government financing.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

### LEICESTER WIN OVER R.A.F.

#### Services' Rugby Tourney Next Saturday.

London, To-day.

Leicester beat the Royal Air Force by 21 points to 11 on their own ground in the only big Rugby Union match yesterday.—Reuter.

The first match in the Services Triangular Tournament will be played next Saturday when the Royal Navy meet the R.A.F. at Twickenham.

### STERLING RESISTS ALL ATTACKS

### DOLLAR ALSO STEADY ON EXCHANGE MARKET

### MORGENTHAU STILL SECRET ON STABILISATION OPERATIONS

#### SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894, Received February 2, 6.59 a.m.)

WASHINGTON, To-day.

THE UNITED STATES TREASURY SECRETARY, MR. HENRY MORGENTHAU, YESTERDAY SAID THAT THE PEGGING OF THE DOLLAR ESTABLISHES THE UNITED STATES ON AN INTERNATIONAL GOLD BULLION STANDARD. THE STANDARD WILL BE IN EFFECT AS LONG AS THE PRESIDENT LEAVES THE PRESENT GOLD REGULATIONS EFFECTIVE.

He refused to comment on the stabilisation operations and the effect of America's policy on world conditions.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

New York, To-day.

Sterling, yesterday, withstood all attacks, whether real or imaginary. The foreign exchange market was confused but sterling early regained its nominal loss and thereafter remained stationary. The dollar failed to decline in relation to gold currencies, and its substantial premium over London gold and the franc made imports of gold on private accounts profitable.

The largest volume of trade since July, 1933, was recorded on the Stock Exchange, 4,600,000 shares changing hands. Government bonds and commodities were strong.—Reuter.

### Three Methods For Raising Prices.

#### SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

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Washington, To-day. Domestically, the immediate dollar devaluation effects are small.

The Administration hopes, eventually, to increase prices and to restore business through:—

Firstly, expanding credit.

Secondly, to stabilise prices as much as possible.

Thirdly, to protect America's foreign markets.

The House of Representatives Ways and Means Committee has authorised the appointment of 10 monetary experts to assist the United States Treasury Secretary, Mr. Henry Morgenthau, to administer the stabilisation fund.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

### COMMODITY DOLLAR ABANDONED.

#### N.Y. Bank Review Fears Inflation.

#### SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

(By Telegraph, Copyright, Telegraphic Messages Ordinance, 1894, Received February 2, 9.54 a.m.)

New York, To-day.

The National City Bank of New York's review states that the outstanding influence on the trade outlook is the huge Government disbursements.

The U.S. \$6,000,000,000 new financing is easy because the country trusts the Administration, the review states.

The limiting of currency fluctuations tends to restore confidence.

It declares that the Recovery programme's real test will be the Government's ability to halt spending when desirable without causing a business slump.

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#### FEDERAL RESERVE REDUCES RE-DISCOUNT RATE

New York, To-day.

The New York Federal Reserve Bank has reduced its re-discount rate from two to 1.5 per cent.

Reuter.

THE OLDEST ESTABLISHED NEWSPAPER IN THE FAR EAST



"The pirate who reminds Frederic of his duty." A scene from the Gilbert and Sullivan opera, "Pirates of Penzance," which will be presented by the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society, at the King's Theatre, from February 6 to February 10.

### QUICK ARREST OF MURDERER

#### 4 Hours After Crime In Shanghai.

#### DEPARTMENT STORE MANAGER KILLED

Shanghai, To-day. Smart work by the Settlement police, resulted in the arrest, yesterday evening, of Chin Gee-yen, four hours after he had allegedly murdered Mr. Lee Man-joe, manager of the Sun-Sun department store, who had dismissed him from his position of watchman, yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Lee Man-joe was found shot dead in a room in the Sun-Sun Hotel. He was a native of the Chungshan district of Kwangtung. Leaving for Australia in his youth, he remained in the Commonwealth for about a quarter of a century. Mr. Lee, who was 53, is survived by a widow and several children. He was a member of the Canton Guild and the Cantonese Union Church.—Reuter.

### SWANSEA WIN CUP REPLAY

#### Bury Beaten By Three Clear Goals.

#### LEICESTER AND TRANMERE WIN

London, To-day. Swansea reached the last eight in the F.A. Cup yesterday when they won their home replay against Bury by three clear goals to qualify to meet Portmouth at home in the Fifth Round on February 17.

Leicester recorded a home win over Liverpool in the First Division while Tranmere's chances of promotion were improved by a home win over Accrington.

The following were yesterday's results:

F. A. Cup—Replay.			
Swansea	3	Bury	0
First Division			
Leicester	1	Liverpool	0
Third Division (North)			
Tranmere	2	Accrington	0
Reuter			

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#### ACTION ON SILVER MORE LIKELY

#### After Gold Plan Begins Operating

#### SPECIAL TO CHINA MAIL

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Washington, To-day.

The American Treasury has published rigid regulations for handling imported gold to prevent private holding.

Imported gold must be delivered to the Comptroller of the Currency. The Comptroller will then destroy

gold until delivered to the Comptroller.

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# HONG SPORING PAGE

## FAST CHINESE FORWARDS WILL TEST INTERPORT HALF BACKS

### THE REDSHANK TO THE FORE

Runs Away In The Third Quarter.

### CHANCES OF PRIMA DONNA VERY BRIGHT

Soldier Stable And Staleness

(BY RAPIER)

**M**R. Leo Frost, the champion jockey, took out Mr. F. C. Hall's The Redshank over the Derby distance on the sand track on Wednesday morning, but even with such an accomplished rider up the bay was up to his pulling tricks again. His time of 3.34.0 was the fastest of the morning, and it might have been considerably better but for the fact that the pony broke away into a third quarter of 0.32.1 which was altogether too fast after opening quarters of 0.42.0 and 0.34.4. His fourth quarter was 0.38.4, giving the mile figures as 2.27.4.

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Mr. "Ferdie" Soares is showing shrewd judgement in his training of Prima Donna, a likely winner of the Derby, and the black mare is in excellent condition. On Wednesday she was taken over a slow half mile before warming up for a convincing last half mile in 1.02.0 with a finishing quarter of 0.29.0 and a full time for the mile in 2.13.0.

It is a long time since a black won the Derby. I wonder.....

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Mr. Dunbar's Oak Bay was given an easy time over the Derby distance on Wednesday, and, frankly, I was disappointed in the grey. He ran badly over the first mile, which he covered in 2.38.1, and finished not too strongly with a last quarter of 0.23.4—and a last half in 1.03.0.

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Mr. Li Shu Pang's Soldier of Britain accomplished the fastest mile among the griffins on Wednesday, clocking 2.12.1 after a first half of 1.12.0. The pony finished well in 0.31.2, without being extended. Another sub, which surprised me was Mr. Leader's Copper Idol, which went over a mile in 2.18.2 with a first half in 1.09.2. The pony did not finish too well in his last quarter of 0.33.2 but he gave signs of being a useful entrant over six furlongs.

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Mr. Hobson's Chow Fan did an impressive mile on Wednesday, clocking 2.17.2 after a slow first half in 1.12.0. The pony finished well in 0.31.2, without being extended. Another sub, which surprised me was Mr. Leader's Copper Idol, which went over a mile in 2.18.2 with a first half in 1.09.2. The pony did not finish too well in his last quarter of 0.33.2 but he gave signs of being a useful entrant over six furlongs.

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Mr. Dynasty's King Willow was sent over a slow 1 1/4 miles on Wednesday, the first 1/4 being in 2.04.0 and the full time 3.10.8. The pony has stamina and it would be worth remembering his first serious test over the mile distance or above.

### BARROW WINS GAME FOR LIGHT BLUES.

Scores 111 Out Of 185 On Club Ground.

PILCHER 42 OUT OF 60.

Hitting 16 boundaries in his III, scored out of 185, J. Barrow was mainly responsible for Cambridge University's beating Oxford by 3 wickets in the annual cricket match on the Club ground yesterday.

Barrow, who plays for the Civil Service in the League, was ninth out at 185 after opening the innings.

After having his first ball hit out of the ground by H. H. Griffiths (21), C. E. E. Barlow returned the favour by a score of 5 for 60 in the Oxford innings. D. Pilcher was uninterested at the figures.

### AUSTRALIA TO SEEK THE "BODY-LINE" BAN

M.C.C. Invited To Tour

Sydney, To-day.

The Australian Board of Control has decided to submit its new anti-body-line rule to an Imperial Cricket Conference for adoption.

The delegates will also apply to the Marylebone Cricket Club for a tour of Australia during the 1934 and 1937 seasons.

Wives will not be allowed to accompany members of the present Australian team to England, and writing in the press and broadcasting by players is banned.

—Reuter.

### SMITH REPEATS WIN OVER OSMUND.

Scores 1,000 To Local Player's 163.

BREAK OF 230 RECORDED

**WILLIE SMITH.** Britain's professional billiards champion gave his best display in Hong Kong last night when he decisively defeated A. J. Osmund, the Colony champion, by 1,000 points to 663 points after conceding Osmund a handicap of 500 points at Lane Crawford's Restaurant.

Osmund failed to reveal his true form and scored very slowly. Smith's best breaks were 70, 137, 230, 63, 109, 268, while Osmund scored a 30 and 49.

Osmund, who was conceded 500 in 1,000 up, reached 966 against Smith in their first encounter at Shamshui po Camp last Monday, but when given 30 in the game of snooker he proceeded to beat the visitor by 81 to 30.

Smith played against A. T. Ley, the well-known K.C.C. cricketer, on Wednesday night at the Hong Kong Club and won by a huge margin after scoring a 200 break when left double baulk at the commencement.

Willie Smith will meet M. N. Rakusen, the K.C.C. champion, at the Kowloon Cricket Club this evening, commencing at 8.30 p.m.

Rakusen, who beat R. P. Phillips for his title, made a break of 90 on Tuesday night and followed it up with one 85 on the following night.

This will be Smith's farewell match as he leaves for Shanghai after the match.

**CLUB FAVoured AGAINST K.C.C.**

Kilbee To Assist Junior XL

STRONGEST SIDE ON VIEW

**L**D. KILBEE, who sustained a painful blow over the eye when battling against the Civil Service a fortnight ago, is playing in league cricket again to-morrow.

Tom Hayward has wisely decided to allow Kilbee to play his first match, since his injury, with the second eleven, and he will be seen out against the K.C.C. on the K.C.C. ground. He played, agains the Medical Corps in his only other league game for the second eleven and scored 8.

With a good chance of winning the junior title the Club are favoured to win to-morrow's game. They have their strongest side on view.

The following is the Club team: H. J. Armstrong, C. W. E. Bishop, C. E. Cahagan, J. D. Hunter, J. E. Judd, L. D. Kilbee, L. E. Lamman, D. Lovison, A. K. McDonald, J. Smith and E. T. Talbot.

close of the Oxford innings with 42 scored out of 50 while he was at the crease. He hit six boundaries.

### H.K. LADIES TO ENCOUNTER RECREIO "A"

Mrs. Adams Brought In At Forward.

### HARD TASK FOR CAER CLARK CUP CHAMPIONS

(BY STICKS)

The second half of the Caer Clark Cup Ladies' Hockey Competition will commence to-morrow when four of the strongest teams in the series are taking part in important matches.

The following are the games: H.K. Ladies v Recreio "A"; "Y" Ladies v St. Andrew's; C.B.A. Ladies v C.R.S.

The Hong Kong Ladies', who received their first check last Saturday when they were held surprisingly to a draw by a weakened "Y" Ladies eleven, will meet with strong opposition in the Recreio "A" at Sockumpoo.

Defeated only by the St. Andrew's Ladies, the Recreio seniors are expected to give the champions a good fight in to-morrow's match. They are fielding the same team as that which lost to the Saints last Saturday.

The Hong Kong Ladies' are making one change in the forward line, Mrs. S. Adams playing at left wing in place of Mrs. B. Goldman. The following are the teams.

H.K. Ladies—M. Bird, E. M. Gray, B. Hebbeling, M. Wallace, B. Pope, Mrs. M. K. Lowe; E. Bell, J. Dalziel, E. Bonnar, J. Churchill and Mrs. S. Adams.

Recreio "A"—B. D'Almas; M. Basto, C. Osmund, L. Xavier, M. Alves, L. Silva-Netto; M. Remedios, A. Alves, C. Silva, M. Roza and C. Botelho.

### "Y" WITHOUT MISS McCaw AGAINST SAINTS

The "Y" Ladies, who will meet the St. Andrew's Club for the second time, will be further weakened by the loss of Miss P. McCaw, who is leaving for Australia to-morrow. Miss McCaw

has filled the position at centre-forward very admirably since the team lost Mrs. Read, being a goal-scorer in every match. She was responsible for the goal which enabled the "Y" to share the points with the Hong Kong Ladies' last Saturday.

The St. Andrew's team, which has played unchanged throughout the season, are starting their second round. They defeated the "Y" in the first encounter by 8 goals to nil, and are favoured to carry off the points again.

The following are the teams.

St. Andrew's—Mrs. B. Rose, E. Landoll, G. White, M. Churn, J. Wong, L. Wolley, E. Wong, L. Rogers, M. Wolley, L. Gittins and P. Gittins.

"Y" Ladies—J. Weller; Mrs. Portallion, A. Fowler; B. Blumenthal, E. Thomas, M. Gardner, V. Bradbury, R. Blackmore, M. Glendinning, T. Dennis and O. Brown.

### C.B.A. EXPECTED TO WIN OVER C.B.S.

The Central British Association Ladies' will meet the Central British Schoolgirls in the second round of the Competition at King's Park, and both teams are unchanged.

The Ladies' who won the first encounter by 4 goals to 2, are favoured to win their third game in seven matches.

The following are the teams. C.B.A.—Mrs. Webber, P. Wolley, F. K. Walker, M. Bryant, E. Beavin, E. Dunne, D. Hunt, M. Whitley, E. Woolley, M. Smith and Mrs. Miles. C.B.S.—D. Moss, E. Ingram, J. Boyson, J. de Chamoy, M. McCaw, J. Leaman, H. Kelly, L. Hickey, Joy Booker, J. Booker and L. Ronan.

### ST. ANDREW'S BEAT PUNJABIS

The St. Andrew's Club were in great form yesterday when they defeated the Punjabis, 10 goals to 7, going to midday in a contest on the Marine ground.

### TO-MORROW'S TRIAL FOR SELECTED XI

### TAM-GOSANO WING WILL BE WELL WATCHED

### WHY LI WAS NOT CHOSEN

(By OUTSIDE LEFT)

A very strong Combined Chinese football team has been selected to meet the Colony's Interport soccer team to-morrow at Sockumpoo, in the first real test for the Interports.

The Interport team has been altered since its selection, McHardy, the reserve goalkeeper, taking Pau Ka-ping's place between the sticks.

The Combined Chinese defence is practically that of S. China, with the exception of the centre half position, which is filled by Hor Chor-yin of the Athletic.

In Li Tin-sang and Lau Mau and Leung In-chan and Tong Kwan, the Interport forward line will meet with perhaps the strongest opposition available, while Hor Chor-yin should be able to keep a check on A. V. Gosano.

### MISS BROWN TO LEAD "Y" LADIES

Miss Weller Elected Vice-Captain.

### CONSTITUTION OF SELECTION COMMITTEE

(By STICKS)

MISS O. Brown is the new "Y" Ladies' hockey captain, and Miss J. Weller is the vice-captain.

The election, which was made last night, was made necessary due to the fact that Miss S. Dalziel, the former skipper, is unavailable for the rest of the season, and Mrs. Portallion, the vice-captain is shortly going on home leave.

Miss R. Blackmore and Miss B. Blumenthal were elected on to the Selection Committee in conjunction with the captain vice-captain, and Miss A. Fowler, the Hon. Secretary.

### RECREIO "B" TO PLAY H.K. LADIES.

The Club de Recreio Ladies' "B" who are the only other team in the competition without a fixture will play the Hong Kong Ladies' second eleven in a friendly encounter at Happy Valley, at 8 p.m.

The following are the teams.

Recreio "B"—G. Roza, O. Botelho, T. Noronha; Y. Britto, E. Rozario, M. Xavier, M. Westhaut, A. N. Other, L. Botelho, A. Almeida and M. Figueiredo.

Hong Kong Ladies' 2nd XI—P. V. Jacks, D. Robertson, R. Smalley; M. Bishop, D. Whyte, M. Smalley, B. Goldman and R. King.

### CHAMPIONS BEAT SAINTS 3-0.

Losers Throw Away Opportunities.

### C.B.A. EXPECTED TO WIN OVER C.B.S.

THE Hong Kong Ladies' defeated the St. Andrew's Ladies by 3 goals to nil in a friendly hockey encounter on the Marina ground yesterday.

The Saints had much of the play in the first half, but were erratic in the goal-mouth, missing many opportunities. The Hong Kong Ladies' reversed the play in the second half when they netted three times through Mrs. Goldman, Miss E. Bonnar and Miss C. Ferguson.

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G. White, E. Landoll, M. Churn, J.

Wong, L. Wooley, P. Wong, E. Rogers,

M. Wooley, P. Gittins and L. Gittins.

Reserves—Tay Quee-lang, (South China), Cork (Lincoln) and British (Polos).

Combined Chinese—Wong Wing, Li

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Hor Chor-yin (C. A. A.), Tong Kwan,

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## SNOOPING AROUND | ON THE LIGHTER SIDE OF SPORT

The better-class football referee, Rhapsody in Blue, someone in the gallery shouted, "Good old Chel- seal!"

G. Nicoll, the South African jockey, says the secret of Gordon Richards's wonderful riding is his balance.

And the secret of his balance is his wonderful riding.

It costs £2,000 to £3,000 to train a boxer for a title fight—so beggars cannot be bruisers.

The Modern Sports Girl—hits nothing at golf; hits everything at motoring.

At a recent high-diving exhibition one competitor dived from a height of 80 feet.

The Mayor handed his congratulations to the diver's next of kin.

Everton would like to sign Gallacher. Most of us like a little Scotch round about now.

A racing greyhound is said to have swallowed a lighted cigar.

"Four thousand foals are bred each year for flat-racing."

Many a true word is printed in a newspaper!

## SCHOOLBOY INTERNATIONAL FOR SPURS

Speedway authorities are experimenting with a magnetic gate. Some football clubs might be interested, too.

When the leader of the band acquired his new number as a

# MONEY IN SOCCER OF TO-DAY

## ARSENAL'S "BANK TEAM" LOSE TO RANGERS

Is there any money in the game, you ask?

Let us see how money talks in football. Or if, as a Scot would say, "money" happy returns! There is Arsenal. They used to dub Arsenal the "Bank of England" team.

Do you know that since the season 1925-26—when Mr. Herbert Chapman joined Arsenal as manager—approximately £1,750 has been spent on the purchase of players? Against that figure may be placed £10,000, approximately the sum Arsenal have received for transfers to other clubs.

No, we are not now discussing the National Debt. This is football seen through the looking-glass of finance.

During the last seven or eight seasons Arsenal have paid £23,000 for centre-forwards alone.

Here is the list: Lambert, Halliday, Coleman, and Dunne. The figures? Lambert, £2,500, from Doncaster; Halliday, £6,500, from Sunderland; Coleman, £6,000, from Grimsby Town; Dunne, £9,000 (?), from Sheffield United. Halliday was transferred to Manchester City of £5,000.

The Goal Standard

The return in goals was: Lambert, 98 goals in 139 First Division matches; Halliday, 8 in 16; Coleman, 25 in 32 matches. Dunne played seven seasons with Sheffield United and scored 188 goals in 168 matches.

Looking at the list of Arsenal purchasers, David Jack cost £10,340 and Alec James £5,000. The exact figure paid for Dunne is not known. Two seasons ago Sheffield valued Dunne at £12,000.

Here are Glasgow Rangers' market prices for the team that beat Arsenal at Highbury. Dawson, no transfer fee; Gray, no transfer fee; McDonald, £10 from America, any £150; McKeown, no transfer fee; Simpson, £300 from Dundee United; Brown, no transfer fee; Archibald, transferred from Raith Rovers with another player, the figure for both being £350; Marshall, no transfer fee; Smith, £150 from East Stirlingshire; McPhail, £2,500 from Airdrie; Fleming, £300 from St. Johnstone.

Arsenal team against Rangers cost (approximately): Moss (from Oldham), £1,000; Male (Clapton) —; Happood (Keistering), £2,250; Hill (Aberdeen), £3,500; Roberts (Oswestry), £700; John (Barry), £500; Birrell (Torquay), £2,000; Bowden (Plymouth), £5,000; Lambert (Doncaster), £2,500; James (Preston North End), £2,500; Bastin (Exeter), £2,500.

The players' entrance at Everton has been caged over with fine mesh netting, following a demonstration against the referee. The "bird" will get through.

Jack Pettifer hasn't found much fighting in America, but plenty of fighting sky.

A club trainer noticed bruises on one of his player's legs, and asked if he got them in a match.

The player said No: he got them when partnering his wife at bridge.

The pitch at White City was covered with sand, so the Oldham player who was recovering from a knock-out can be excused for thinking that he was on Blackpool sands.

Perhaps Gallacher's outburst has not been in vain.

## THE HUNT FOR CENTRES

While several League clubs are bidding for high-priced centre-forwards, at least one First Division club manager has found a local player good enough to lead the attack.

With Hydes injured, Leeds United brought in 21-year-old Alan Fowler as their centre. And in four games Fowler, who has been on the Leeds ground staff since he was 15, has scored five goals.

Leeds have never paid much for their men, their biggest fee, I believe, being £2,000 for Edwards, the England half-back.

It is estimated that there are 410,000 worth of footballers at Tottenham, Hotspur have signed P. O'Kane, the Kingston outside-left, an amateur form, and J. Redwood, a former Welsh schoolboy international winger.

Newcastle United have secured the services of Ronald Williams, centre-forward from Swansea Town.

# SUNDERLAND FAVoured TO BEAT VILLA

Arsenal and Derby Should Win

## CELTIC HAVE STERN TASK

(By RANGER)

WINNING their Cup-tie last Saturday at Villa Park by 7 goals to 2, Aston Villa renew acquaintances with Sunderland at Roker Park to-morrow, and the opinion is that the tables will be turned on them in a close game.

The Arsenal beaten by the Spurs on Wednesday, are at home to Everton, whom they should conquer to retain their position at the head of the premier league table. Derby, who are tying with the Londoners, have also a probable home win when they encounter Stoke, though the latter's win over Huddersfield is worth bearing in mind.

Huddersfield's sensational elimination from the Cup, followed by the natural reaction, should be able to stem the tide of defeat in their home game against the Wolves. Tottenham have a hard task at Liverpool and will be fortunate to share the spoils.

Grimsby will be facing stern opposition at Port Vale, and it would not surprise if the Second Division leaders dropped both points.

The Scottish Cup (Second Round) provides one very interesting tie—at Ayr—where the United entertain Celtic, the holders. Ayr's amazing advance this season leads one to expect a surprise for the holders, but the Celtic's fine Cup record, and their improvement of late, is not to be lightly discounted.

The following is my forecast:

## English League.

## FIRST DIVISION

	P.	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	Pts.
ARSENAL (1)	WdDIL	25	11	1	4	28	18	20
Derby (5)	WwDw	25	12	8	6	30	19	20
Huddersfield (5)	WdDw	25	13	8	1	23	11	21
Tottenham (-)	WlwLw	25	13	8	1	30	17	14
Manter C. (10)	dLDw	25	14	8	3	22	19	12
Blackburn (15)	WWWW	25	14	11	0	30	17	13
W. Brom. (4)	DLwLw	25	12	7	2	28	12	15
Middlesbrough (17)	WwW	25	12	7	2	28	12	15
W. Wid.	WwW	25	12	7	2	27	15	13
Portsmouth (4)	WWWW	25	13	7	2	24	19	10
Wedday (3)	WWDw	25	13	6	3	24	15	9
Wolves (18)	WWDw	25	13	6	3	24	15	8
Newcastle (5)	WWWL	25	14	6	2	21	19	8
Sunderland (12)	DDDD	25	13	7	1	32	15	13
Bircham (13)	WwW	25	13	6	3	22	19	10
Sheff. U. (10)	DDDIW	25	14	6	2	22	19	11
Liverpool (14)	DLwL	25	13	6	4	27	23	14
*Stoke (-)	WWWW	25	13	6	4	24	18	11
Chelsea (19)	WWWW	25	13	6	5	26	19	13

## FOOTBALL FORM GUIDE

## Comprehensive Table Showing Form of Clubs at A Glance

A comprehensive guide to the form of all the major English Football League clubs will be found in the tables given below. To assist in comparing the teams, details of how they have fared in their last five matches are given. The letters W, L and D indicate matches won, lost or drawn, respectively. Games played at home are shown in capital letters and away games in small type. The figures in brackets denote the position held by that team at the conclusion of last season. The asterisk indicates a promoted team and the sword signifies a relegated team.

The League positional tables give home and away details and include all matches played to date.

## FIRST DIVISION HOME AWAY TEL.

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## SECOND DIVISION HOME AWAY TEL.

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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Friday, February 2, 1934.

Clients For The League.

The League of Nations, abused and abandoned by more than one country which feels no need of advice or assistance, has still those who turn to it when their troubles appear insoluble. If their turning has the semblance of an act of despair, that is no reason for repulsing them. It is precisely for perplexed penitent such recourse is best suited. To that condition, after indecisive warfare and abortive negotiations, have Bolivia and Paraguay been brought in the course of their dispute over the Gran Chaco. This forbidding and largely unexplored area has for many years provided these two lands with a cause of enmity and often open hostility, due entirely to the fact that possession of the territory carries with it the control of the upper Li Plata system—an important consideration to land-locked States. Fighting, at first informal and then by declaration, has been going on in the Gran Chaco for the last year and a half, with no result worth mentioning beyond mutual slaughter. More than once during that period neutrals have attempted to effect a pacification, and as far back as May last the League appointed a Commission to investigate the case. Its labours, none too speedily, have now been in some measure fruitful. A truce was arranged by the Commission, operative until the end of December. "Advantage was taken of the lull to bring the whole question before the seventh conference of Pan-American Republics, at Montevideo. Here, it was hoped, an understanding atmosphere would be found in which a lasting peace could be established. This final success, however, has not been won. The conference, after every effort of its own, was able only to hand in its last sitting, the whole Gran Chaco problem over to the League of Nations. The League has now to review it "ab initio," in the hope of achieving something more than Uruguay and her assembled sisters were able to accomplish. One of the conference delegates declared, "We turn over to the League what we are incapable of settling." A confession of that perplexity to which we have already referred. Out of such comments as that, and also out of the obvious facts of the situation, the cynic may make what material he chooses. To him it will appear that nothing more is being

offered to the League—and that only as a last resort—that the chance to effect, on a microscopic scale, a seeming solution already made likely by exhaustion. In no such way, he will add, do the great Powers themselves submit to the League. If the superrealist expresses himself thus we can hardly wonder at him; but we can at least contend that the situation is not entirely hopeless. The League exists, and can still function efficiently on behalf of those who accept its good offices in a proper spirit. If smaller nations accept its guidance, they may thereby give the larger good reason to envy their prudence. As for the notion that the League could and would use force to supplement its decisions, that was never a tenable theory to thoughtful minds. It is certainly curious that the loudest demands for the League to initiate what would practically amount to hostilities, first against Japan and later against Germany, came from professional pacifists who have hitherto done their best to make and keep authority impotent. While congratulating, however, the League of Nations on a moral victory, we have still to remember that that victory is as yet only half won. A decision has next to be made, and then—most momentous step of all—the contending parties have to be persuaded to accept it. That may not be easy; the risk must be squarely faced. It is unpleasantly significant that the same cabled message which conveyed the news of the final agreement to leave the matter with the League also contained a statement that even since the truce was announced there have been charges from both sides of flagrant violations. Those ten-year truces with the infidel that made Wamba the jester feel such an old man, recur somewhat sadly to mind. Human nature retains from one century to another its unpleasing habit of breaking agreements in the hour of passion. Paper pledges count for little against instabilities of character. "In Catalonia," said its dying President, "there is neither faith nor union." Simon Bolivar, that hero of South American independence after whom Bolivia itself was named, declared when viewing the visible results of his labours, "We have ploughed the sand." Fortunately for the world, though its leaders so often pass away disillusioned, fresh hopes are born with fresh generations. Some of those hopes must, in due course, be fulfilled, or the race itself will perish. The ideals which cluster round the League of Nations are worth fighting for, but for our own preservation seldom have idealism and the barest self-preservation drawn so evidently into one.

HERE, THERE  
and  
EVERWHERE

Popular Keats

The present popularity in America of Keats brings a reminder that interest in the poet is increasing, too, in his native Country. Mr. Lionel McColvin, chief librarian of the Borough of Hampstead and a Keats expert, states that the number of visitors to Keats's house at Hampstead grows by thousands each year.

"Americans make pilgrimages in plenty," he said, "partly because they consider there is a sort of family connection on the grounds of Keats's brother having settled permanently in America. But English people come, too. They are not mere sightseers. Most of them are Keats scholars, who return again and again for a specific purpose. "Volumes of his poems at the library show a demand, among poets, second only to Shakespeare."

The Ten Commandments  
Which is the most important of the Ten Commandments?

A vote on the question has resulted in the fifth Commandment being placed first by a large majority.

It is, of course:

*Honour thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.*

The poll was held at Simmons College, Boston, U.S., and the voters were all women.

"Thou shalt not kill" came second, and "Thou shalt not steal" third.

Last in the ballot was: "Remember the Sabbath to keep it holy."

Your Daily Smile.

CHEER UP, BROTHER

A big insurance company estimates that a bachelor lives five years, three months, and nine days longer than a married man. Well, that's one bit of consolation married men have, anyway.

In Sympathy

Seeing the bailiffs, who had been sent by his landlord to serve a summons for rent, coming down the garden path, Jones barred and locked his door and prepared to hold the fort at all costs.

The bailiffs knocked twice, and when there was no response they pushed the summons under the door.

Quick as thought Jones blew it back again with his bellows.

Again the bailiffs pushed it under, and again Jones sent it back.

This happened several times until finally one of the men picked up the summons and said to his companion:

"Come on, let's take this back to the landlord. I wouldn't pay any rent, either, if I had to live in a draughty old house like this."

DEPRESSING DIALOGUE

*"My wife's teeth are like stars."  
"You mean her eyes, or boy."  
"No, ol' man, I mean teeth—they come out at night."*

LUMPS OF LIFE

The first year after they were married she worried terribly when he was out late. She loved him so well. All the years after that she worried terribly when he was out late. She knew him so well.

SPEEDING UP

A plumber in America has turned boxer. Perhaps he won't take so long now to come round.

STRANGE GIFT

A woman knows instinctively that she is right—whether she is or not.

Facts You Did Not Know.

The legs of a new table are adjustable for length so that by shortening any of them it can be used in connection with a bed or other piece of furniture.

They are skilfully photographed, frequently in close-up, with their backs to the camera or with trees and undergrowth growing in appropriate positions around them.

To make the film, Boy took a troupe of technicians to a California nudist camp known as "Elysia," and there they lived and worked in a becomingly unclothed condition.

So greatly did the troupe enjoy the sensation that many of them who had previously been modest at the camp joined in a procession below the hill, and now spread their blankets there regularly.

Now Mr. Boy is troubled because he says that every time "Elysia" is shown at a cinema it is returned

## FILMS OF NUDIST COLONIES

AMAZING NEW STUNT

IN HOLLYWOOD

NUDISM AND IMMORALITY ON THE SCREEN

(By Cedric Belfrage)

London. Plenty of headaches are in store for the film censors in the New Year.

One of the first, and certainly the biggest, will be the "nudies."

The "nudies," my friends, are no relation of the well-known library.

They are the new trend in cinematic art—films made in nudist colonies with all-naked casts.

What will the censor bureau do when the "nudies" appear in London?

Will it lay about in blind fury with an axe, chopping the well-exposed celluloid into small fragments? Will it license them for showing in cinemas where a mask is placed over the lower half of the projector?

Or will it merely give out a great big snore, turn over, and go back to sleep?

My Nudist Days

Personally I don't care very much. Most film stars already show more than I have the least desire to see.

And in any case I once spent a few days in a nudist colony myself—near Berlin it was, in the days before good, kind Adolf told Germany to keep it shirt on, or else.

A critic in the nude is a queer sight, they tell me. But I enjoyed myself immensely. I have been a confirmed booster of "audism" (frightful word!) ever since.

But if you don't know the feeling

shorter than it was when it was delivered. The projectionists, it seems, cut pieces out to take home and show the family.

He has now been compelled to charge so much a foot for "Elysia" clippings, but in spite of that the copies get shorter and shorter.

Demanding The Stars

Interest in the nudist cults was freely aroused by the film.

A party of nudists was engaged to make a "personal appearance" on the stage of the Los Angeles Pantages Theatre, and even though they naturally had to dress up a bit for the occasion they drew the town.

And in Hollywood they are now discussing with great intensity the possibility of bringing nudism into the studios.

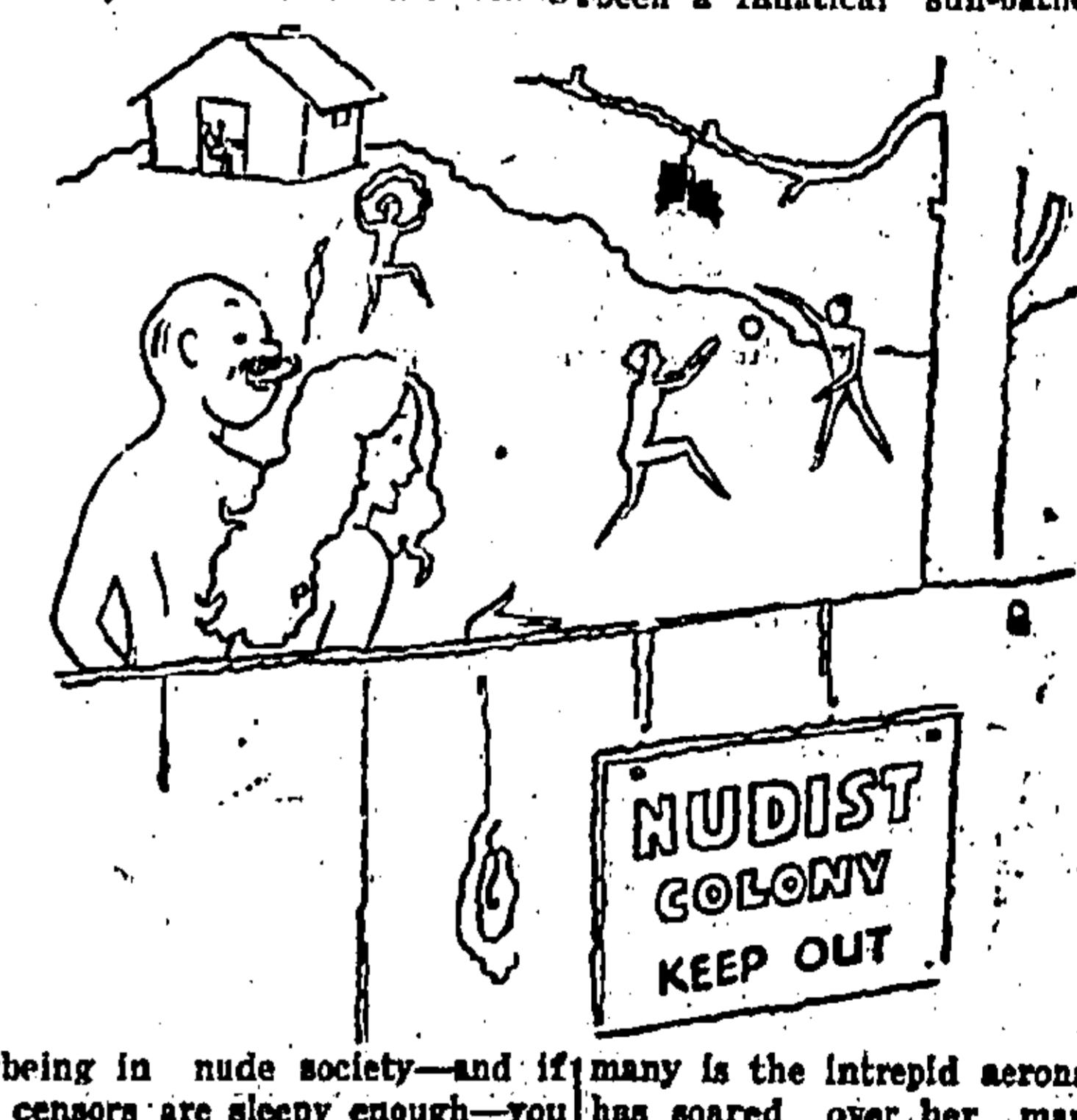
Producers believe that the great, wonderful public would pay freely to see their top line stars in the altogether.

And they don't see why, if Brian Fay can get away with it at a regular nudist camp, they shouldn't be allowed to feature their stars in studio-made "nudies."

Not For Mae

There are those not far from Queen Garbo's throne who say that Greta would not be averse to appearing in a "nude," if it was the right sort of film made as an artistic pioneering venture.

Greta has, of course, for years been a fanatical sun-bather, and



many is the intrepid aeronaut who has soared over her mansion to survey the ground.

The great opponent to "nudies" is Mae West, who freely admits that clothes skillfully and alluringly worn, made her what she is today.

"Anybody as likes can go裸," Mae is reported as stating, "but not this baby. For real artistic naughtiness you gotta doll up, and doll up right."

Naked Humour

Among other "nudies" that may be produced if Hollywood decides to go in for the altogether epic.

The latest "nudie" now showing all over America and giving greater value for money, is called "Elysia."

This was made by Brian Fay, a young director who started off with a bang in the early talkies days as a Warner Brothers megaphone ace, but lately has done little.

Fay is cleaning up a packet of dough with "Elysia."

Scarf And Pray

It is not a mere "interest" film, but a regular love story in which all the characters are naked throughout.

They are skilfully photographed, frequently in close-up, with their backs to the camera or with trees and undergrowth growing in appropriate positions around them.

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as violent a step as it sounds.

Already, in these musical extravaganzas which pour forth on our screens in an endless procession, they go about as near to complete nudity as makes no difference. What times we do live in, to be sure!

"Slitting Pretty," the new one at the Plaza, goes one more step towards the altogether in its shots of massed chorines lying in heaps at the finale.

They have got a new dodge now of dressing up the girls in tilted negligees, and putting coloured filters in front of the cameras, which has an effect of making you think you see more than you really do.

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## ITALY ALSO CRITICISED

(Continued from Page 1).

### Britain's Memorandum Approved.

#### "IMMEDIATE DISARMAMENT NOT DRASIC ENOUGH"

London, To-day.

Messages from European capitals indicate that the British memorandum on Disarmament is being closely studied by other Governments. Press comments telegraphed to London, admittedly based on first impressions, are, on the whole, by no means unfavourable.

The French and German newspapers are agreed that the memorandum is at least a practical and courageous effort to resolve the deadlock, although both find points—naturally enough, different points—against which they direct criticism. In both these countries, however, the view finds expression that the proposal may yet form a basis of agreement.

In Geneva, the document has been received with warm approval, and is regarded as skilfully designed to reconcile the Franco-German differences.

Britain's acceptance of permanent and automatic control is welcomed, and the proposal to write into the Disarmament convention the provision for an immediate consultation "As to the steps to be taken" in the event of its breach, is recognised as an important contribution towards security involving for Great Britain a departure from traditional policy.

The importance of this contribution has not escaped the notice of the British press. Some English newspapers are also inclined to regret that the immediate measure of Disarmament proposed is not more drastic.

This particular criticism was, however, answered before it was offered, in the document itself, which pointed out that the proposals did not represent the British ideal, but were intended to form a practical basis for an agreement in the light of the views expressed by other Governments, the vital primary consideration of the moment being to get an agreed convention which would at least prevent the deterioration of the international situation, while providing a scheme for the future and progressive stages of Disarmament.

The necessity of this is emphasised in the new Italian proposals which also agree with those of the British Government in at least two other important respects, namely, in regarding the British draft convention as continuing to provide a basis for discussion and in emphasising the importance of Germany's return to Geneva.

In the House of Commons, yesterday afternoon, the Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, agreed to give time next Tuesday for discussion by the House of the British memorandum.—British Wireless Service.

### WOMAN CAPTURES BURGLAR.

#### Wrestling Grip Lays Thief Low.

Belgrade.

Mrs. Stokonov does not give a rap for burglars. She is a member of the Yugo-Slavian National Gymnastic Association. When she discovered a burglar in her house busy packing her jewellery, clock and silver into a large basket, she did not waste time in calling for the police.

She took the burglar by the scruff of the neck, got an armlock on him, threw him to the ground and bound him hand and foot.

Then she strolled over to a neighbour and asked him to get the police.—Reuter.

#### WEATHER REPORT

Cloudy, with probably some drizzle, and moderately north-easterly winds. In the forecast issued to-day by the Royal Observatory.

## THEATRE COMPANIES COMPROMISE

### Affairs Of Hong Kong Amusements Ltd.

#### ELECTION OF DIRECTORS POSTPONED

The adjourned annual general meeting of Hong Kong Amusements Ltd., was held this morning at the Queen's Theatre, Mr. J. M. Noronha, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presiding. He was supported by Mr. C. S. Roselet, Secretary, and the following: Messrs. Lo Kan, Ko Leung Hoe, Lee Iu-cheung and Ma Tai-chiu, Directors, and Messrs. G. K. Hall-Brutton, D. L. Strellet and D. M. Biggar, shareholders.

After the Secretary had read the auditor's report, the Chairman said:—

I greatly regret that the Accounts disclose a loss in working. I would explain, however, that it was deemed necessary to extend the Company's fiscal year to June 30, 1933, instead of closing it at March 31, 1933, and the consequent inclusion of three months' working, namely April, May and June, which covered an exceptionally bad period, has produced this result.

You will notice in the balance sheet, under the heading of Property Realisation Account, that an amount of \$146,078.34 has been realised by the disposal of properties, a sum which we expected to be at your disposal this year. Unfortunately, the transfer of our interests in subsidiary companies has resulted in litigation between this Company and United Theatres Inc. and the balance due to us, namely \$300,964.06, has not yet been received. In anticipation of an early settlement of this litigation the financial year was extended, as stated, but your Directors much regret that settlement of this matter is still pending.

I am pleased to say, however, that since we met last a compromise has been reached, which subject will have to be submitted to you at an extraordinary general meeting for your approval.

I now beg to propose that the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the 15 months ended June 30, 1933, be adopted.

Mr. G. K. Hall-Brutton seconded.

#### Election Adjourned.

Before the motion was put to the meeting, Mr. D. L. Strellet proposed that the election of Directors and all business attached to it be adjourned sine die. Mr. Biggar seconded the proposal, which was unanimously passed.

Mr. Noronha then proposed that the Directors' report and Statement of Accounts with Mr. Strellet's amendment be passed, and Mr. Hall-Brutton having already seconded the motion, it was put to meeting and passed.

Messrs. Linstead and Davis, the retiring Auditors, were re-elected at a remuneration of \$750.

### THIEF STEALS TROUSSEAU.

#### But Leaves Red Flannel Underwear.

Denver, Colorado.

The story, and the way little Nell Davis of Longmont, Colorado told it, brought tears to the eyes of the hard-crusted police sergeant.

Nell, slightly less than 20, and her fiance came to Denver to buy her trousseau. They spent all but their last shilling on it—placed the bundles in their dilapidated car and then went to get drink.

When they came back only a package containing red flannel underwear—for the bridegroom—had been left by the thief.—Reuter.

#### WORLD'S LARGEST FLAG

### 500 Square Yard Emblem At Rome Exhibition

Rome.

A flag, measuring 500 square yards—probably the largest in the world—is flying over an exhibition of futurist art in Rome.

It has been hoisted on a flag pole, probably the tallest in the world, rising 150 feet above the exhibition building.—Reuter.

## CONSTABLE HURT BY CAR

### KNOCKED DOWN AND FOOT INJURED.

#### EUROPEAN DRIVER MAKES REPORT OF ACCIDENT

Mr. C. E. Holmes, of Messrs. Dodwell and Company, while driving from Bonham Road up Park Road at about 1 a.m. yesterday, knocked down a Chinese constable who suddenly appeared in the roadway in front of the car. In his report to the Police Mr. Holmes states that he swerved to the right, but was unable to avoid striking the man and knocking him down. On stopping, he found that a wheel had passed over the constable's foot. The constable would not give his name or number and refused to go either to the police station or hospital. The constable subsequently made a report of the occurrence at the Upper Level police station at 4 a.m. when he was sent to the Government Civil Hospital.

PIRACY IN CHINESE WATERS.

### JUNK ATTACKED NEAR NINEPIN ISLANDS.

#### \$10,000 WORTH OF LOOT CAPTURED.

The report of a mass attack by 80 pirates in 16 small fishing boats on a Chinese passenger junk off San Mun Customs Point, near the Ninepin Islands, on Wednesday, has just been received in the Colony.

The brief report states that the pirates, who were armed with rifles and revolvers, boarded the junk and made away with \$10,000 in money, jewellery and property.

### WOMAN ATTACKED WITH CHOPPER

#### Serious Condition Of Victim.

#### HUSBAND REMANDED

Arrested in Queen's Road Central, opposite the Queen's Theatre, following an attack on his wife with a chopper, Fung Po Wan, described as a commission agent, was charged before Mr. S. Balfour at the Central Police Court this morning with inflicting grievous bodily harm on Chan Lai Ching.

Accused admitted the offence. Detective Inspector Murphy, in asking for a week's remand, said that the woman was lying in a serious condition, with a fractured skull, at the Government Civil Hospital.

Accused was remanded in police custody.

### DEATH OF FAMOUS AERONAUT.

#### Mr. Walter Wellman.

#### TRANS-ATLANTIC BALLOON FLIGHT ATTEMPT.

New York, To-day.

The death occurred yesterday of Walter Wellman, who in October 1910 attempted the first trans-Atlantic flight in a balloon, starting from Atlantic City with six companions.

The balloon was forced down in the sea after having travelled 1,000 miles, the aeronauts being rescued by a passing steamer.—Reuter.

### JANUARY RAINFALL IN HONG KONG

The rainfall for the month of January, registered at the Bontanic Gardens, amounted to .41 of an inch.

The largest amount recorded in any one day was .26 of an inch.

On January 16.

To-day's Short Story.

## THE CHILD SPY

By Alphonse Daudet.

His name was Stenne, little

He was a child of Paris, sickly and pale, who might have been ten years old, perhaps fifteen; with those urchins one can never tell. His mother was dead; his father, formerly in the army, was keeper of a square in the Temple quarter. Babies, nursemaids, old ladies in reclining-chairs, poor mothers, all of toddling Paris that seeks shelter from vehicles in those flower-gardens bordered by paths,

With his basket on his arm, he stood in the long lines that formed in the dark winter mornings, without gas, at the doors of the butchers' and bakers' shops. There, with their feet in the water, people became acquainted, talked politics, and everyone asked his advice, as M. Stenne's son. But the games of *bouc'chon* were the most amusing of all, and that famous game of *galloche*, which the Breton militia had brought into fashion during the siege. When little Stenne was not at the fortifications, or at the bakers', you were sure to find him at the game on Place du Chateau d'Eau. He did not play, you understand; it required too much money. He contented himself with watching the players, with such eyes!

One especially, a tall youth in a blue blouse, who bet nothing but five-franc pieces, aroused his admiration. When he ran you could hear the money jingling in his pockets.

#### TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "The Book," by Margaret Irwin.

One day, as he picked up a c. in which had rolled to little Stenne's feet, the tall youth said to him in an undertone:

"That makes you squint, eh? Well, I will tell you where they are to be found, if you want."

When the game was ended he led him to a corner of the square and proposed to him to go with him to sell newspapers to the Prussians; he received thirty francs per trip. At first Stenne refused, highly indignant; and he actually stayed away from the game for three days. Three terrible days. He did not eat, he did not sleep. At night, he saw piles of *galoches* at the foot of his bed, and five-franc pieces lying flat, all glistening. The temptation was too great. On the fourth day he returned to the Chateau d'Eau, saw the tall youth again, and allowed himself to be persuaded.

They set out one snowy morning, a canvas bag over their shoulders and newspapers hidden under their blouses. When they reached the Flanders gate it was barely light. The tall youth took Stenne by the hand, and, approaching the sentry—an honest volunteer with a red nose and a good-natured expression—he said to him in the whining voice of a pauper:

"Let us pass; my kind monsieur. Our mother is sick, papa is dead; I am going out with my little brother to pick up potatoes in the fields."

And he wept, Stenne, covered with shame, hung his head. The sentry looked at them a moment, and cast a glance at the deserted road.

"Hurry up," he said, stepping aside; and there they were upon the Aubervilliers Road. How the tall fellow laughed.

Confusedly, as in a dream, little Stenne saw factories transformed into barracks, abandoned barricades covered with wet rags, long chimneys cutting the mist and rising into the sky, smokeless and broken. At intervals, a sentry, beplumed officers looking into the distance with loopholes. It was towards that drenched with melted snow in front of dying fires. The tall fellow knew the roads and cut across the fields to avoid the outposts. However, they fell in with a patrol of sharpshooters, whom they could not avoid.

The sharpshooters were in their little cabins, perched on the edge of a ditch filled with water, along the Soisson railroad. That time, the tall fellow repeated his story in vain; they would not allow them to pass. Then, while he was complaining, an old sergeant, all wrinkled and grizzled, who resembled Father Stenne, came out of the guardhouse to the road.

"Come, little brat, I wouldn't cry!" he said to the children.

"We'll go to the other post office, but come in and wait," he said.

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*BUEDWAN	6,000	22nd Feb.
CHITRAL	15,000	23rd Feb.
TILAWA	10,000	22nd Feb.
RANCHI	17,000	9th Mar.
SANTHIA	8,000	21st Mar.
*SOMALI	15,000	23rd Mar.
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Washington.

To help Cuba to chart a course which will lead her away from debt and depression, the American Government has appointed two experts to go to Havana forthwith as advisers to the United States Embassy there.

The men selected are Mr. Adolf A. Berle, Jr., legal adviser to the Farm Adjustment Administration on the proposed sugar stabilization agreement, and Mr. John Laylin, former special assistant to ex-Under-Secretary Dean Acheson of the Treasury.

Their job, as defined by the Secretary of State, Mr. Hull, will be to make a thorough appraisal and analysis of the essential phases of financial and economic conditions in Cuba to guide the American Government as developments calling for co-operation come along.

The two big economic problems facing the Cuban Government are its heavy indebtedness abroad and the plight of the market for Cuban sugar.

Official circles already have indicated that some of the Cuban debt owed in this country will have to be scaled down. The Administration also is working actively to allocate the sugar market in a manner that will assist the Cuban industry to regain its feet.

Mr. Berle has been working on the sugar problem in his capacity as legal adviser to the Farm Adjustment Administration, and his continuance in that capacity has been challenged on the ground he was associated with Mr. Charles W. Taussig of New York in the operation of refineries on the Island.

Mr. Hull said in answer to a question that so far as he could see there was no relationship between Mr. Berle's connection with sugar and the work for which he has been designated at Havana.

Officials emphasize that the experts are going as advisers to the American Embassy and to the Cuban Government itself.

Their efforts, however, are designed to open the way for possible co-operation with the Cuban Government and to help it put the Island on a firm economic basis.—Reuter.

## STEAMERS' MOVEMENTS

The s.s. Takada will leave for Singapore, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta on or about Sunday, February 4.

## Confessed Slaying



## FILMS OF NUDE COLONIES

(Continued from Page 3.)

The ingenuity of these lay-show tycoons is just endless.

Then, as the next step, we shall have the first picture featuring Sally Rand, the obscure film actress who made herself rich and famous overnight with her "fan dance" at the Chicago World's Fair.

Sally is already at work at the Paramount studios, with a fantastic salary as reward for her enterprise in taking off more than any American dancer had ever taken off before in public, and getting herself arrested for it.

## WHAT PRICE GLORY?

A few months ago Sally was a nobody. Now she is one of America's most-talked-of women.

Such is her standing that she is able to throw the heavy star-temperament act at a studio where a year ago she probably could not have got a job walking on.

Last week Sally is reported to have walked off the set in a Huff. Her fan dance had been remodelled for movie consumption, but that did not mind.

What annoyed her was the discovery that she only had three lines to speak in the whole film. She had not been hired to say things, but to do things.

When they started to cut Sally's dance as well as her dialogue, she folded up her fans and tanked she'd go home.

Don't you think she was right, girls? You can't treat an artist like that, now can you?

## THEY'RE AWAKE.

Do not imagine that the morality bureau are sleeping while all this goes on.

In England the censors are getting gruff about what they regard as "the increasing tendency to exploit nudity and immorality" on the screen.

In America the producers, who have hitherto kept the flag flying by hiring Will Hays to maintain order, are threatened with immediate Federal censorship under the new N.R.A. Code unless they "clean their house" forthwith.

The trouble is, of course, that nobody can agree with anybody else as to what constitutes censorable screen material.

A party of indignant housewives in Los Angeles have declared the belief that the "nude" films of life in the backroom colonies ought to be stopped.

They have extracted a promise from District Attorney Fitts that no nudist colonies will be allowed in Los Angeles County. But they have not been able to remove the films which they condemn as immoral.

## TASTES DIFFER.

Others claim, with what seems to be considerably more sense, that all-nude films would be moral compared with the suggestive half-draped affairs currently made in Hollywood.

Some say that Mae West is a menace to public morality. Others say she is a spiritual tonic. Others think she is just a bore.

For weeks now conferences have been going on in Washington about it, but still no conclusion is reached.

"WHAT IS DIRT?" says jesting Roosevelt, and waits for an answer, but doesn't get one.

"Dirt," quoted one expert, described as a "nationally known psychologist," is an elusive thing — I would say that as it pertains to the screen, it defies definition. It is something that must be felt instinctively. Words are unavailable.

This weighty dictum was considered for some minutes by the furrow-browed conference. Then up spoke a leader of American cinema owners.

"If the producers don't know what dirt is," he said, "President Roosevelt will soon let them know."

"I'll tell you what dirt is. Dirt is dirt. There are no two ways about it."

So there the matter rests at present.

## TWO EXTREMES.

The most confusing element of the whole affair, i.e. of course, that the great current screen successes are extreme sophistication and extreme purity, running neck and neck.

While Mae West dances everywhere with her hip-swinging and double entendre dialogue, "Little Women," a story besides which "Peter Pan" is like something.

Anyway, prepare for the fight between purity and the other thing between film producers and censors that is certain to be staged during this New Year.

Whoever wins and whatever malevolent mummery are started by either side, it will be a good show for the box office bonanza of almost unprecedented colossals.

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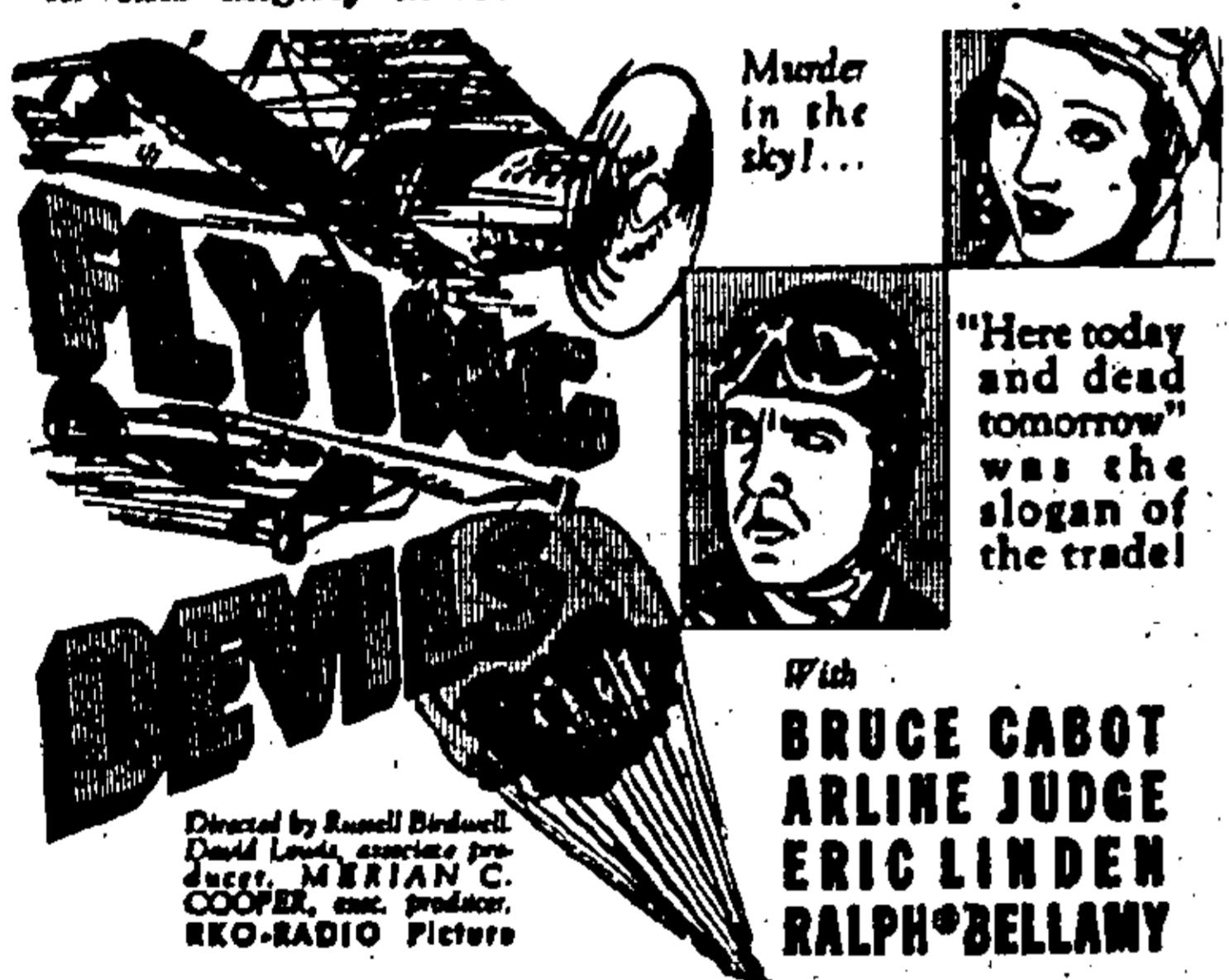
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### REVERTING TO THE GOLD STANDARD

(Continued from Page 1.)

Testifying before the United States Senate Banking Committee, the well-known political Mr. Irving Fisher, yesterday urged a still further revision of the monetary system proposing a Federal authority which would take from the Federal Reserve the power of issuing currency.

He said that the Federal Reserve had been tried and found wanting.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

### MINISTER'S TOUR ABANDONED.

### Colonial Secretary To Return To England.

London, To-day. A telegram received by the Colonial Office from the Governor of Kenya yesterday stated that Sir Phillip Cunliffe-Lister, the Colonial Secretary, had had a good night and was holding his own.

All engagements made for his present tour must now be regarded as cancelled. He will return to England as soon as he is fit to travel.—British Wireless Service.

### COMMODITY DOLLAR ABANDONED

(Continued from Page 1.)

The review adds that the Gold Act abandons the commodity dollar and that its success depends solely on the Treasury's ability to exercise its powers wisely and without inviting inflation.—United Press, per S.C. Gold Bar Co.

### GOLD SHARES BOOM IN LONDON.

### Keen Bidding Continued In Street Markets.

London To-day.

In British Stock markets, yesterday gold shares were extremely active throughout the day, and after closing, British bidding continued in the street markets with further gains.

Prices of typical stocks were: Crown Mines, 10 13/16; Rands 6 3/8. Trans-Atlantics were also in demand.

British Government stocks closed firm, with War Loan, 3 1/2 per cent., at 101 11/16.—British Wireless Service.

## MASS MARCH ON LONDON

### Huge Unemployment Demonstration.

### HOME SECRETARY QUESTIONED IN COMMONS

London, To-day. Asked in the House of Commons yesterday whether steps would be taken to prevent the large-scale unemployed demonstration which was being organised to take place in London this month, the Home Secretary, Sir John Gilmour, replied that there was no provision in the existing law by which the procession could be prevented from marching into London, provided they were orderly and well behaved.

He added that the right to hold peaceful meetings was one of the most cherished rights of the people, but if it were to be abused in such a way as to lead inevitably to disorder or public disturbance, the Government would ask Parliament for such powers as experience might show to be necessary to deal with such demonstrations.

Asked if he was aware that march, of which the proposed demonstration was a cruel exploitation of the unemployed, the Home Secretary returned no answer.—British Wireless Service.

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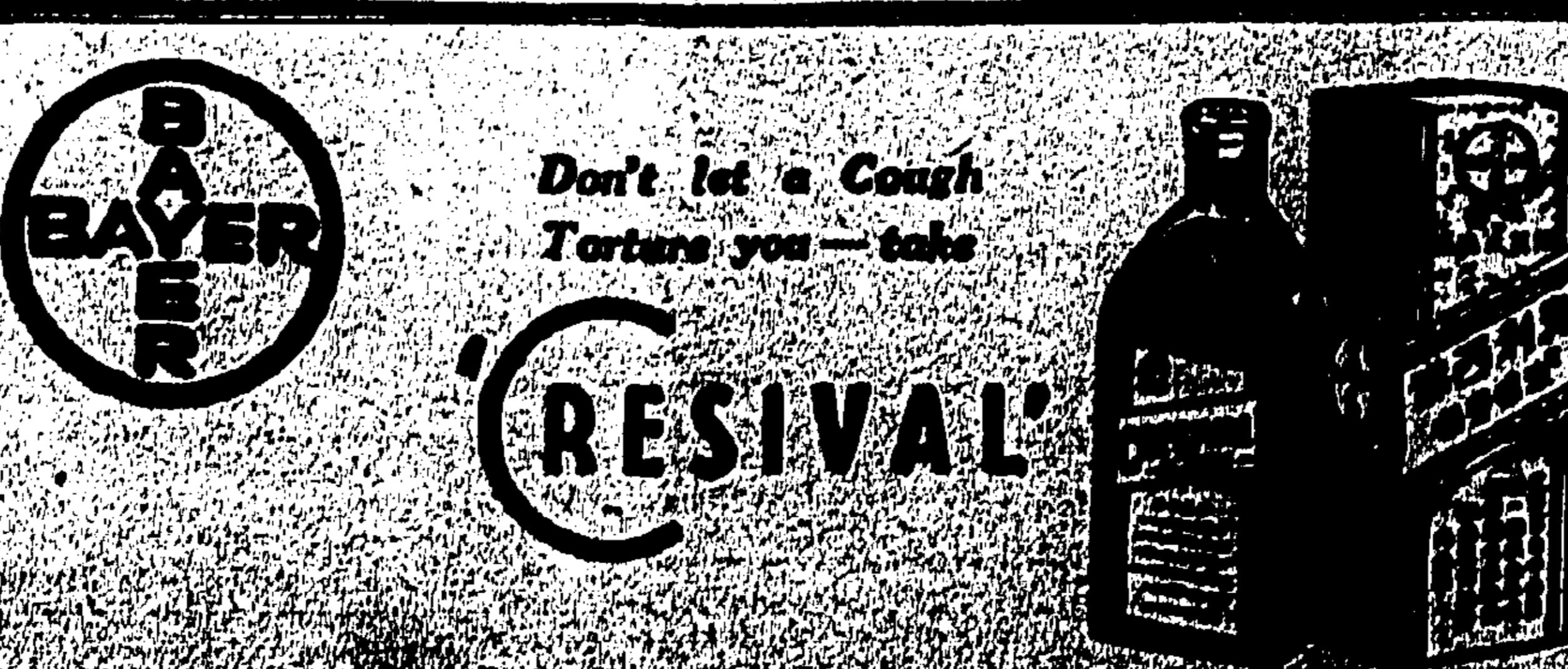
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